The South 40

Early diagnosis of disorders is wise

By JAMES A. SMITH
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Early diagnosis of weed, insect and nutritional disorders is the "game" you need to be playing with crops.

There are a number of corn and tobacco fields that need a kick of nitrogen. There's too much corn that doesn't have a dark green color and it isn't because of water shortage.

There's quite a few acres of dark tobacco that was transplanted late, hasn't grown very much, probably hasn't had enough nitrogen and needs a deep drink of water. Dark tobacco should get from all sources (direct fertilizer, crop residue) about 135 pounds of nitrogen.

There is some corn and a lot of soybeans where a wick applicator containing Round-Up would be very effective taking out Johnson grass, milkweed, and dogbane.

Any delay in planting soybeans is costing you one bushel per day. If you haven't finished planting soybeans by now, call it quits. It's not worth the effort. Go to sunflowers or grain sorghum.

There are soybean situations where we find chlorotic spots with green veins showing up in the field. This may be nematodes or a minor element deficiency. This is the place to use a tissue analysis to determine the cause. Do this as soon as it occurs. A soluble spray material may be able to correct the problem.

Dursban TC is registered for the prevention and control of termites. This is a relatively new formulation and use for Dursban, but it is gaining in use. Homeowners should be aware that this chemical is not more effective than Chlordane, not safer than Chlordane, and not the same price as Chlordane. Pest control operators can use either chemical, depending on the desire to the homeowner. Dursban TC is applied in a manner similar to Chlordane; the residual life of Dursban is less than Chlordane, so retreatment may be necessary in 15-20 years. Dursban is slightly more expensive than Chlordane.

Last year, the marketing system received 73 cents of each retail food dollar spent in the U. S. That left 27 cents for the farmer.

Bacillus Poillea may help reduce Jap beetles. It's registered as Mill-y Spore, Doom and Japidemic for pastures.

In pastures use at rate of two pounds per acre, or a one teaspoon - spot every 10 feet in a grid pattern.

On home lawns, use at rate of one pound per 4,000 square feet or 10 pounds per acre.

The 1984 Virginia Farm Management Tour is July 21, Clarke and Frederick Counties.

If those steer calves haven't had the second implant, you can make a few bucks by taking the time to do it now. Compudose should not be re-implanted.

Pastures that are clipped should make a stronger vegetative recovery once it begins to get cooler.

If moister continues to be tight, don't overlook creep grazing the calf crop. It will pay big bucks.

If you're going to need feed for winter, don't overlook barley. There have been some very attractive barley prices in recent weeks, while corn price was going up.

If you need feed, put it in place at the right price.

According to the Crop Reporting Service, there are only 1,100 hogs and pigs in Appomattox County.

Local rescue squad reports June calls

The Appomattox Volunteer Rescue Squad responded to 83 calls during the month of June.

In doing so, members traveled 3,511 miles and expended 373 man hours.

The breakdown of calls is as follows: head injury, 1; abdominal pain,1; cardiac problem,9; breathing difficulty,7; seizure, 3; overdose, 1; miscellaneous, 35; transport, 37; stroke, 3; dragging, 1; standby, 2; dead on arrival, 1; maternity, 1; diabetic coma,1.

ALTHOUGH HAROLD NASH IS A BIG, TALL MAN he looks kind of small as he poses between his tomato vines. On his left are Better Boy tomato vines and on his right are Big Early tomatoes. Nash picked his first ripe tomato on June 26, which he says is the earliest he has ever gotten a ripe tomato from his garden. With a total of 32 hills of tomatoes, things are looking good in the Nash garden this year.

Happiness Is 4-H

By FRANK H. SWEET

Thanks to each of the following volunteer leaders, teen leaders and assistant teen leaders who contributed to the success of last week's 4-H camp at Holiday Lake. Adult volunteer leaders included David Hancock, Michael Hancock, Tom Conrad, Jean Mills, Pam White, Terrie Conrad, Patti Talbott, Tracy Durham and Shelby Huff. Teen leaders helping with camp included Lisa Harrison, Annette Turner, Ada Hunter, Anne Hancock, April Talbot, Jeannice Bartelt, Rhonda Ranson, Brett Marston, Rick Pack, Howard Anderson, Bob Poole and Curtis Moore. Assistant teen leaders were Bill Hogan, Sheri Williams, April Hackney, Vincent Pannell, Robert Coleman, Terri Hamlett, Brent Harrison, Wendy McClenny and Wilson Randolph.

Congratulations to Jennifer White and Vincent Pannell, who were selected as the outstanding campers for the week of July 9-13. Jennifer and Vincent will each receive a one-fourth scholarship toward the cost of the 1985 4-H camp as an award.

Winners in the 4-H Interstate Exchange drawing held last Friday were Virgil Fleshman of the Promise Land area, who won the stereo cassette recorder; Benny Harvey of Appomattox and Mrs. Margaret Eagle of Lynchburg, who won the chests of drawers which were donated by Armstrong Furniture. Thanks to each person who participated in this 4-H fundraising effort to help finance the exchange trip to Texas.

4-H campers recognized for their excellent work in classes during the week at Holiday Lake were: Beginners' Swimming, Daniel Henry; Advanced Swimming, Tommy Cobb; Canoeing, Chris Pennix; Archery, Jerry Franklin; Horsemanship, Matthew Foster; Rifle Safety, Lamont Hancock; Nature Study, Katina McCoy; Terrariums, Terri Spiggle; First Aid, Bill Hogan; Tennis, David Irby; Arts and Crafts, Micah Torrence; Team Sports, David Ranson; Outdoor Cookery, Jennifer Nash; Fishing, Vincent Pannell and Quintas Johns; and Woodworking, Matt Wilhite. Certificates were awarded to each of these young people during the awards program at camp on Friday.

The 4-H interstate exchange trip to Texas will begin Friday, July 27, and end on Sunday evening, Aug. 5. Eighteen teenagers and six adults will participate in the trip to Bailey County, Texas. 4-H members from Texas visited in Appomattox last summer. The 4-H Interstate Exchange program helps young people learn about life styles in other parts of our country as well as see interesting and important historical and natural sites. 4-Hers participating on the exchange trip will be available to present programs for civic groups and other clubs upon their return.

More about soccer

Editor's Note: This is the second of four articles about the game of soccer. The articles are written by Bob Hudson, recreation director for the Appomattox County Department of Recreation.

By BOB HUDSON

Although simple in concept, soccer is neither slow nor routine. To the contrary, from the moment of the opening kickoff it is a game of almost constant action.

In soccer, there are no time outs, and the flow of play is interrupted only briefly when a ball goes out of bounds, a free-kick is called, a goal is scored, or a player is injured. Action is continuous as players switch from offense to defense, time and again.

A soccer team consists of 11 players: one goal keeper and 10 field players. The basic field positions are forwards (also known as strikers) midfielders (also known as halfbacks), and defenders (also known as fullbacks). In today's game, however, field players often switch position during play, so they are not necessarily playing a particular position.

Soccer is a game that boys and girls are able to enjoy very quickly, even if they have never played it before. There are no special requirements in regard to player's size and weight. In soccer, quickness and coordination are more important than size and strength.

Softball tourney set

A softball tournament will be held August 10-11, and 12, at the Appomattox Town Ball Park. All proceeds will go to benefit six year Steve May of Red House who will undergo a kidney transplant this fall.

All interested teams should contact Mike Weakley at 352-8344 for more information and registration.

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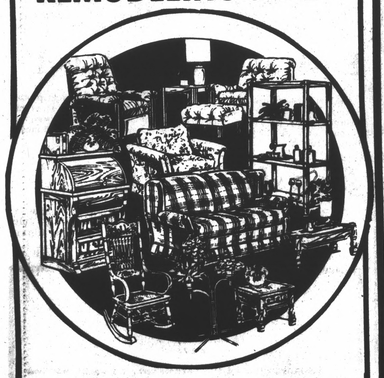

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Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Doss, Jr.
Photo by Jeff Spitzer

Celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Doss, Jr. of Concord were honored recently with a reception at Calvary Baptist Church, Concord, in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Hosts for the reception were their children, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Doss of Salem, Virginia, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Phelps of Concord, Della Grubbs of Concord, and grandchildren of the couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Doss were married on July 7, 1934 in Concord by the Rev. R. M. Tyree. They have three grandchildren.

DMV driver license station sets hours

The Division of Motor Vehicles driver license exam station in Appomattox, located in the Municipal Building, will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the second, third, and fourth Fridays of each month, beginning August 1.

At the exam station, residents may apply for original, renewal or duplicate licenses. Applicants are reminded to bring proper identification such as birth certificate or an expired driver's license.

Art classes will be offered here

The Appomattox County Recreation Department will offer a two-week art class beginning Monday, July 30.

The class will held in the high school art room from 10 a.m. to noon. Instructor will be Wendy Richardson.

There will be a $5 activity fee for the class.

New business

A. J. Tanning opens here

A.J. Tanning, located on Church Street in Appomattox, offers a safe and professional tanning process that has been popular in Europe for over ten years. Owned and operated by Angie Jones and Gene Mayhugh, A. J. Tanning features the Sun Tana Sun System.

"There has never been, to our knowledge, a case of skin cancer reported to have been caused by use of the sunbed. In the ultraviolet light spectrum of sunlight, there is ultraviolet light in what is sometimes called UVB wave lengths which burn the skin and is different, less dangerous wave lengths called UVA. Early UV tanning devices emit ultraviolet light in the UVB range only to the extent of two percent to five percent, the bulk of the emission being in the UVA wave length range. UVA lamps will tan the skin and when used as directed, will not burn the skin as the UVB lamp," according to a report by Sun Tana Systems.

Angie Jones

Tennis lessons offered

The Appomattox County Recreation Department will offer tennis lessons beginning July 23.

Three separate classes will be offered. Beginner's classes will be held from 9-10 a.m., intermediate classes will be held from 10:30 a.m. to noon, and adult classes will be held from 6 -7:30 p.m.

Those interested in taking the classes should call Bob Hudson at 352-2645 between 8 and 9 a.m., or between 9 and 10 p.m.

These classes will be offered on a first come, first-served basis, and students must pre-register. There will be a $5 activity fee for the classes.

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